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(U) Long Beach – Stabbing Suspect Arrested After One Killed, Three Injured

(U) A man with a knife was arrested after a series of stabbings in Southern California yesterday morning that killed a woman and wounded three other people. Officers near downtown Long Beach responded at approximately 5:30 a.m. and found the woman suffering from multiple stab wounds, said Brandon Fahey, a spokesperson for the Long Beach Police Department. Fahey did not identify the woman, who was pronounced dead at a hospital. About an hour later, officers were sent to another reported stabbing, this time about a half-mile to the south. A man was hospitalized with non-life-threatening stab wounds to the upper torso, Fahey told reporters. Shortly after 7 a.m., two men were stabbed about a mile south of where the second attack occurred. They were taken to a hospital with wounds not considered life-threatening, Fahey said. A man carrying a knife was arrested near the scene of the third stabbing, police said. Police have not released the identity of the suspect.

SOURCE: 17 October 2022, Associated Press

(U) Sacramento – County Jail Shut Down Following Officers Exposure to Unknown Substance

(U) Three law enforcement officers were taken to the hospital after being exposed to an unknown substance at the Sacramento County jail, officials said Sunday. A spokesperson for the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office said two Sacramento police officers were booking an arrestee and gathering his property when an unknown white substance fell out. The officers became dizzy, and a sheriff's deputy responded with Narcan to help until they also got dizzy. All three of them were taken to a hospital for treatment, but they are expected to fully recover. A sheriff's office spokesperson said the Sacramento County Main Jail was going to be temporarily shut down to all bookings to clean the area and make sure no one else gets exposed.

SOURCE: 16 October 2022, ABC 10 Sacramento

(U) San Diego - Man Sentenced for Recruiting ISIS Fighters

(U) A Canadian national who lived in Southern California was sentenced to 20-years in prison yesterday for helping at least a half-dozen Canadians and Americans join the Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) in Syria in 2013 and 2014, including the first known American to die fighting for the militant organization. Abdullahi Ahmed Abdullahi directly funded "violent acts of terrorism," including the kidnapping and killing of people in Syria, US Attorney Randy Grossman said in a statement. Abdullahi acknowledged in a plea agreement that he helped a resident of San Diego, Douglas McAuthur McCain, join ISIS. McCain was killed in Syria while fighting alongside ISIS fighters against Syrian opposition forces in 2014. Prosecutors also said Abdullahi provided money to send an 18-year-old cousin from Minneapolis, Minnesota, to join ISIS fighters in Syria, as well as three other cousins from Edmonton, Canada.

SOURCE: 17 October 2022, Associated Press

(U) NATIONAL

(U) New York – Colombian Drug Boss Sentenced to 35-Years

(U) Brooklyn – A drug trafficking boss described as "the most feared narco-terrorist in Colombia" was sentenced yesterday by a federal judge in Brooklyn to 35-years in federal prison. Daniel Rendon Herrera,

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57, led Clan del Golfo for more than a decade, using kidnapping and murder to rule over a drug operation that trafficked tons of cocaine from Colombia through Central America and Mexico into the US. Rendon Herrera, also known as "Don Mario," got his "most feared" title from DEA Special Agent in Charge James Hunt when he was extradited to the US in 2018.

SOURCE: 17 October 2022, Daily News

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Austria – Six on Trial For Links to Gunman in 2020 Attack

(U) Vienna – Six men went on trial in Vienna today over their alleged links to a sympathizer of ISIS who carried out a deadly shooting in the Austrian capital in 2020. Four people were killed in the attack including the gunman on 2 November 2020. More than 20 other people, including a police officer, were wounded. Assailant Kujtim Fejzulai, a dual national of Austria and North Macedonia, had a previous conviction for trying to join ISIS in Syria. The six men who went on trial are not accused of direct participation in the attack but allegedly helped or influenced Fejzulai as he prepared for the shooting. SOURCE: 18 October 2022, Associated Press

(U) Mali – Roadside Bomb Kills Three UN Peacekeepers

(U) Bamako – Three UN peacekeepers from Chad have been killed in northern Mali after a roadside bomb exploded as the men approached on foot and several others were seriously wounded, officials said yesterday. Their deaths come just one day before the UN Security Council is holding a meeting on the mission in Mali, which was the United Nations' most dangerous even before the French military pulled its remaining troops from the country in August. The explosion yesterday took place 6 miles from the town of Tessalit in Kidal region. Islamic extremists are known to place improvised explosive devices in the area, officials said. When the UN patrol arrived at the site, they had dismounted and begun to advance on foot with a mine detector when the device exploded.

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